In the Specification:

Please replace the first paragraph after the title with the following paragraph:

This application is a divisional of 09/737,201, filed December 14, 2000, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. application Serial No. 09/643,640 filed August 22, 2000, now abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. application Serial No. 09/604,322 filed June 26, 2000, now abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. application Serial No. 09/513,779 filed February 25, 2000, now abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. application Serial No. 09/481,197 filed January 11, 2000, now abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. application Serial No. 09/464,037 filed December 15, 1999, now abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. application Serial No. 09/345,392 filed July 1, 1999, now abandoned, which claims priority from provisional U.S. Application Serial No. 60/091,847, filed July 6, 1998. The entirety of each of these applications is incorporated herein by reference.

Please replace the paragraph beginning with the words "The compounds" on line 25 of page 53 and ending on page 56, line 18 with the word "(Vioxx)" with the following new paragraph:

The compounds of the present invention may be employed alone or in combination with each other and/or other suitable therapeutic agents useful in the treatment of endothelin-dependent or angiotensin II-dependent disorders. For example, the compounds of this invention can be formulated in combination with endothelin converting enzyme (ECE) inhibitors, such as phosphoramidon; thromboxane receptor antagonists such as ifetroban; potassium channel openers; thrombin inhibitors (e.g., hirudin and the like); growth factor inhibitors such as modulators of PDGF activity; platelet activating factor (PAF) antagonists; anti-platelet agents such as GPIIb/IIIa blockers (e.g., abciximab, eptifibatide, and tirofiban), P2Y(AC) antagonists (e.g., clopidogrel, ticlopidine and CS-747), and aspirin; anticoagulants such as warfarin, low molecular weight heparins such as enoxaparin, Factor VIIa inhibitors, and Factor Xa inhibitors such as those described in U.S. Serial No. 09/496,571 filed February 2, 2000 (attorney docket HA 723); now U.S. Patent No. 6,297,233; renin inhibitors; angiotensin converting enzyme (ACE) inhibitors such as captopril, zofenopril, fosinopril, ceranapril, alacepril, enalapril, delapril, pentopril, quinapril, ramipril, lisinopril and salts of such compounds; neutral endopeptidase (NEP) inhibitors; vasopepsidase inhibitors (dual NEP-ACE inhibitors) such as omapatrilat and gemopatrilat; HMG CoA reductase inhibitors such as pravastatin, lovastatin, atorvastatin, simvastatin, NK-104 (a.k.a. itavastatin, or nisvastatin or nisbastatin) and ZD-4522 (a.k.a. rosuvastatin, or atavastatin or visastatin); squalene synthetase inhibitors; fibrates; bile

acid sequestrants such as questran; niacin; anti-atherosclerotic agents such as ACAT inhibitors; MTP inhibitors such as those described in-U.S. Serial No. 09/007,938 filed January 16, 1998 (attorney docket HX 91); calcium channel blockers such as amlodipine besylate; potassium channel activators; alpha-adrenergic agents, beta-adrenergic agents such as carvedilol and metoprolol; antiarrhythmic agents; diuretics, such as chlorothiazide, hydrochlorothiazide, flumethiazide, hydroflumethiazide, bendroflumethiazide, methylchlorothiazide, trichloromethiazide, polythiazide or benzothiazide as well as ethacrynic acid, tricrynafen, chlorthalidone, furosemide, musolimine, bumetanide, triamterene, amiloride and spironolactone and salts of such compounds; thrombolytic agents such as tissue plasminogen activator (tPA), recombinant tPA, streptokinase, urokinase, prourokinase and anisoylated plasminogen streptokinase activator complex (APSAC); anti-diabetic agents such as biguanides (e.g. metformin), glucosidase inhibitors (e.g., acarbose), insulins, meglitinides (e.g., repaglinide), sulfonylureas (e.g., glimepiride, glyburide, and glipizide), biguanide/glyburide combinations such as those described in U.S. Serial No. 09/432,465 filed November 3, 1999 (attorney docket LA 46) and now U.S. Patent No. 6,586,438, U.S. Serial No. 09/460,920 filed December 14, 1999 (attorney docket LA 46a); and thiozolidinediones (e.g. troglitazone, rosiglitazone and pioglitazone), and PPAR-gamma agonists; mineralocorticoid receptor antagonists such as spironolactone and eplerenone; growth hormone secretagogues such as those described in U.S. Serial No. 09/417,180 filed October 12, 1999 (attorney docket LA 25) U.S. Patent No. 6,380,184, and U.S. Serial No. 09/506,749 filed February 18, 2000 (attorney docket LA 26); U.S. Patent No. 6,518,292, aP2 inhibitors such as those described in U.S. Serial No. 09/391,053 filed September 7, 1999 (attorney docket LA 24a) and U.S. Serial No. 09/390,275 filed September 7, 1999 (attorney docket LA 24b); digitalis; ouabian; non-steroidal antiinflammatory drugs (NSAIDS) such as aspirin and ibuprofen; phosphodiesterase inhibitors such as PDE III inhibitors (e.g., cilostazol) and PDE V inhibitors (e.g., sildenafil); protein tyrosine kinase inhibitors; antiinflammatories; antiproliferatives such as methotrexate, FK506 (tacrolimus, Prograf), mycophenolate and mofetil; chemotherapeutic agents; immunosuppressants; anticancer agents and cytotoxic agents (e.g., alkylating agents, such as nitrogen mustards, alkyl sulfonates, nitrosoureas, ethylenimines, and triazenes); antimetabolites such as folate antagonists, purine analogues, and pyrimidine analogues; antibiotics, such as anthracyclines, bleomycins, mitomycin, dactinomycin, and plicamycin; enzymes, such as L-asparaginase; farnesyl-protein transferase inhibitors;

hormonal agents, such as glucocorticoids (e.g., cortisone), estrogens/antiestrogens, androgens/antiandrogens, progestins, and luteinizing hormone-releasing hormone anatagonists, octreotide acetate; microtubule-disruptor agents, such as ecteinascidins or their analogs and derivatives; microtubule-stabilizing agents such as paclitaxel (Taxol®), docetaxel (Taxotere®), and epothilones A-F or their analogs or derivatives; plant-derived products, such as vinca alkaloids, epipodophyllotoxins, taxanes; and topoisomerase inhibitors; prenyl-protein transferase inhibitors; and miscellaneous agents such as, hydroxyurea, procarbazine, mitotane, hexamethylmelamine, platinum coordination complexes such as cisplatin and carboplatin); cyclosporins; steroids such as prednisone or dexamethasone; gold compounds; cytotoxic drugs such as azathiprine and cyclophosphamide; TNF-alpha inhibitors such as tenidap;
anti-TNF antibodies or soluble TNF receptor such as etanercept (Enbrel) rapamycin (sirolimus or Rapamune), leflunimide (Arava); and cyclooxygenase-2 (COX-2) inhibitors such as celecoxib (Celebrex) and rofecoxib (Vioxx).